



GROUNDWORK FOR "FRACTURED FOLLIES"

Mrs. Jay Stroh, left, designs a program for the Torrance Hospital Auxiliary's annual "Follies" to be staged this year on Oct. 13 and 14 at the Torrance High School auditorium, while Mrs. John Barrington, chairman, and Mrs. Robert Sleeth, Jr., co-chairman, go over plans for recruiting talent from the area. Proceeds from the two evening productions will go to the Torrance Hospital. (Press-Herald Photo)

Auxiliary Slates Annual 'Follies'

South Bay residents will again be treated to a display of local talent when the Torrance Hospital Auxiliary presents its annual variety show. Title for this year's production is "Fractured Follies."

The event is slated for Oct. 13 and 14 in the auditorium of Torrance High School.

As in last year's production talent from the entire area, service clubs and recreation department will be lined up for the extravaganza.

Mrs. John Barrington is serving as general chairman; Mrs. Robert Sleeth, Jr., co-chairman; and Mrs. Jay Stroh is in charge of programs. Mrs. Jack Rice is auxiliary president.

Future Brides

Alven-Henrickson

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Levitt of Redondo Beach announce the engagement of her daughter, Miss Susan Marie Alven, to John William Henrickson Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. John William Henrickson of San Diego.

The couple will be married June 24, at 11 a.m. in St. Cross Episcopal Church, Hermosa Beach, and will leave immediately for a honeymoon in Europe. At the end of the summer they will return to Los Angeles. Mr. Henrickson will continue his studies at the California College of Medicine where he is completing his second year and is affiliated with Phi Rho Sigma, medical fraternity. He was graduated from Pomona College.

Miss Alven, whose father, George E. Alven, resides in Chicago, was graduated from South High School in Torrance and will be graduated this month from Scripps College with Phi Beta Kappa honors. In the autumn, she will continue her studies toward a master's degree in psychology at Los Angeles State College.

The future bride is the granddaughter of Mrs. Wesley Alven of Chicago and the late Mr. Alven, and Mrs. Edgar Turcott and the late Mr. Turcott.

Mr. Henrickson is the grandson of Mrs. Charles E. Smith of New Orleans and the late Mr. Smith, and Mrs. Elizabeth Henrickson.

Mrs. John Wanless, Mrs. William Tighe and Mrs. C. Ashley Johnson are honoring Miss Alven at a luncheon and shower today at the San Diego Yacht Club.



SUSAN ALVEN

Dempster-Nielsen

During a Sunday brunch at the Golden Hill restaurant, attended by family and friends, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Dempster of Torrance announced the engagement of their daughter, Devra Lynn, to Keith Robert Nielsen.

The future bride is a senior at North High School and is employed by the IC Compound Co. in Gardena.

Her fiancé, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jay V. Nielsen, is a 1965 graduate of South High School. He is attending El Camino College and is employed by the city of Cerritos as a draftsman.



DEVRA DEMPSTER

Moton - Rodgers

Mr. and Mrs. Maze Moton of Torrance announce the engagement of their daughter, Bobbie Lorraine, to Robert C. Rodgers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Rodgers of Inglewood.

The future bride, a graduate of South High School, received her BA degree from San Jose State College and her teaching credentials from California State College at Long Beach. She is presently employed by Navan Incorporated, Invention Marketing Subsidiary of North American Aviation.

Her fiancé, a graduate of Lennox High school and the University of the Pacific, is serving with the United States Air Force.

July 9 has been set as the wedding date. After a short trip to San Francisco, the couple will leave for Whiteman Air Force Base in Missouri.



BOBBIE MOTON

At Luncheon Meet

Women's ORT Seats New Officer Panel

South Bay Chapter of Women's American ORT (Organization for Rehabilitation through Training) installed its new officers at a luncheon on Saturday at the Ramada Inn.

Mrs. Herman Rappaport, president of the Western Region of Women's ORT, conducted the installation ceremony.

Endowed with their official duties were Mmes. Ray Lavi, president; Stephan Anderson, special projects vice president; Hyman Bernstein, membership vice president; Lee Rothman, treasurer.

Others were Mmes. Mel Wiener, financial secretary; Mel Steinberg, recording secretary; and Harold Solomon, corresponding secretary.

These new officers with the support of the chapter's general membership, will continue ORT's work which helps man to help himself by providing him with vocational training.



NEW ORT OFFICERS

Installed to direct the activities of the South Bay Chapter of ORT for the coming year were, from left, seated Mmes. Ray Lavi, president; Stephan Anderson, first vice president. Standing, from left, Mmes. David Wiener, financial secretary; Hy Bernstein, vice president; and Lee Rothman, treasurer. Mrs. Herman Rappaport was installing officer at the luncheon meeting. (Press-Herald Photo)

Newlyweds on European Trip

Honeymooning in Europe are Mr. and Mrs. Robin John Brown, who were married in a candle-light ceremony on the evening of May 26 at the First Lutheran Church in Torrance. Mrs. Brown is the former Kerry Dorothy Sumowski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adam W. Sumowski, 1527 Santa Fe Ave., Torrance.

Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. John Brown, 257th Place, Harbor City.

On the arm of her father, the bride came to the altar wearing a traditional gown of appliqued silk organza over white taffeta. The appliques on the gown were enhanced with seed pearls. The long cathedral train was attached at the waist by a large bow. The shoulder length illusion veil was held by a floral cluster sprinkled with pearls. White roses and stephanotis formed the bridal bouquet.

In pastel yellow silk organza gowns, and carrying yellow roses, attendants were Miss Camille Sumowski, serving as her sister's maid of honor; Misses Nancy Howes and Barbara Burns, bridesmaids. Flower girls were Lisa and Lois Renkin.

John Hodgson performed the best man duties and ushers were Richard Brown and Yuko Sako.

Pastor William Roleder officiated at the double ring ceremony. A reception was held at the church and the couple left by car for New York where on June 1 they boarded a plane for England.

The bride is a graduate of Torrance High School and El Camino College. Her husband was educated in Coventry, England. After six weeks in Europe, the newlyweds will return to establish a home in the South Bay.

The bride's grandmother, Mrs. Camilla Sweeney of New Jersey, came to attend the wedding.



MRS. ROBIN JOHN BROWN (Mike Eggers Photo)

'Young Generation Good Children'

Pioneer Notes 99th Year

Remembering when there were bean fields where the city of Torrance now stands and attesting her claim that she lived in Torrance long before there was a Torrance, Mrs. Phoebe Sykes, 1521 Cota Ave., celebrated her 99th birthday on May 25.

The nonagenarian, born in Huddersfield, England, May 25, 1868, came with her husband and son, William, to Lomita in October 1911. Their home was on Chestnut which is now in Torrance. The following year, Mr. Sykes died.

In the area at Carson and Cabrillo, known as Five Points, Mrs. Sykes operated a tent store and it was during this time that National Supply was built.

On his 21st birthday in 1918, her son, William, purchased the home at 1521 Cota from Jared Torrance, founder of this city. Four years ago, William married his sweetheart of the 1920s, and the house on Cota is home to the threesome. Mr. Sykes worked for Columbia Steel for 42 years, and is now retired.

He and his mother traveled in every state in the union and visited Canada, Bermuda, Alaska and Hawaii.

Mrs. Sykes, who is enjoying good health and is very informed

on world affairs, loves "going places." On Monday before her birthday, she and her son and his wife made a 292 mile trip to the Palomar area; on Thursday, they drove 160 miles to her favorite restaurant in Fillmore for a birthday dinner; and on Saturday they took a 140 mile trip to their cabin at Acton.

On her birthday, several of her oldest and closest friends called to share her birthday cake and other refreshments. Following a tradition, she took a trip on her birthday for a short visit with two long time friends, George Post and George Probert.

The pioneer resident is a charter member of the Torrance Chapter of the Eastern Star, Order of the Amaranth, and has served as Noble Grand of the Trio Rebekahs.

Mrs. Sykes attributes her longevity to "hard work and love of people."

About the mini skirts? — "I don't like them, they are not very ladylike. Neither do I like the long hair on the boys. But don't misunderstand, the young generation is a group of mighty good children, and only a few are taking away the charm."

Torrance's oldest citizen is looking forward to celebrating her 100th birthday.



MRS. PHOEBE SYKES ... Enjoys 99th Birthday Cards (Press-Herald Photo)